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**Subject:** Bristol Bay Assessment: Schedule change

Team:

First and absolutely most important - thank you for all your hard work and your focus on bringing together this assessment. It has been a fantastically interesting and challenging project. I'm seeing that the pieces are coming together, perhaps a bit slowly, but very much directionally correct.

Delivery of the first internal review draft of the Bristol Bay Assessment will be delayed. A few sections are still being revised and it is better that our first internal draft reflect those revisions.

I anticipate that we will deliver the internal review draft on Monday afternoon, March 12. At that time, electronic copy will be distributed to members of the assessment team, and to senior management (Administrator's Office, Region 10, OW, and ORD).

I will be asking the assessment team to review and provide comments back to Glenn, Kate and I by COB Wednesday, March 14. This will enable us to assess and address the large, significant issues prior to the release of the official internal review draft, now scheduled for March 16 or 19. I realize that a two day review time is short (my apologies - really) but this quick review is meant to catch large issues.

Originally, we planned to have this first internal review draft completed March 2. With delivery on Monday, March 12, we will be 10 days behind schedule for this milestone. Considering the scope of this project, being 10 days behind seems insignificant. That said, our schedule is very tight to make sure we accommodate public review before the fishing season starts, and the peer review meeting between fishing season and moose season. (Such scheduling constraints are not normally found inside the beltway.) I realize that much needs to happen on a precise schedule. That said, I'm optimistic that we can deliver the polished external review draft at the end of April.

Thank you again and keep up the great work. This assessment will make a difference.

Jeff

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